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Dr. James C. Humphries,
Department of Bacteriology,
University of Kentucky,
Lexington, Kentucky.

Dear Dr. Humphries,

We have undertaken here a genetic study of *Salmonella*, for which it would be very useful to have a wide selection of bacteriophages active against various strains. While a few phages have been gotten out of Madison sewage, it would be advisable to have others from diverse sources. Can you help us by providing us with lysates, or by referring to other workers who might have a collection? At the moment, we are working most with *S. typhimurium*, and would be most interested in phages active against this organism, but as it is expected that we will soon be using other strains, any phages that you could send would be appreciated. If you have any stocks available, I would appreciate it too if you could indicate the procedure or extent to which they have been purified.

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg
Assistant Professor of Genetics.